Planning Board Procedures Workshop

The Town of Rockport, the Lincoln County Regional Planning Commission and the Mid-Coast Regional Planning Commission are pleased to invite all interested local officials and members of the public to a workshop on Planning Board Procedures to be held on:

Thursday, March 20, 2014 6:00 PM – Rockport Opera House

The workshop will be jointly presented by Rockport Town Planner Bill Najpauer, Lincoln County Planner Bob Faunce and Eric Galant, Executive Director of the Mid-Coast Regional Planning Commission. Among the topics to be covered (time permitting) are:

- Procedures
- Email among members
- Research and notes
- Ex parte communications
- Taping meetings by a member of the public
- Serial abstentions
- Abstentions after full participation in discussions
- Adoption of PB rules and procedures
- Impact of tie votes
- Applications that extend over several meetings and PB members who do not attend all of the meetings
- Conflict of interest
- Timing of receipt of application or information before a meeting
- How to interpret ordinances

- How the chair can keep discussions focused
- Finalizing the decision-making process
- Conditions of approval
- Nexus between state criteria, local submission requirements and local review standards
- Impact of state standards/regulations on local ordinances
- State mobile home park regulations and impact on local requirements
- Community living arrangements
- Road openings
- Pre-review of agricultural and timber harvesting activities
- Impact of important court decisions
- Site visits
- Koontz Decision

Light refreshments will be provided. Code Enforcement Officers can qualify for CE credits. For additional information contact Bob Faunce at 784-2617 or rfaunce@lcrpc.org or Eric Galant at 594-2299 or mcrpc@midcoast.com.







